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Michael Fiore Family and Children's Health Programs Group Division of Integrated Health Systems Center for Medicaid and State Operations Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services 7500 Security Boulevard Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850

Dear Mr. Fiore:

The New York State Department of Health requests a renewal of the New York Non-Emergency Transportation Program. The waiver, permitted pursuant to Section 1915(b)(4) of the Social Security Act, allows the Department to more cost-effectively provide transportation for Medicaid recipients who need access to medical care and services and have no other means of transportation.

The enclosed renewal application contains a detailed description of each of the initiatives to be covered under the program upon renewal. A copy of this application has been mailed to Michael Melendez at the New York City regional office.

If you have any questions about our waiver renewal application, please contact Timothy Perry-Coon, of my staff, at (518) 474-9219. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Kuhmerker **Deputy Commissioner** Office of Medicaid Management

Enclosure cc: Mr. Melendez